



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

November 20, 2015

**NOTICE OF GROWER NOMINATION MEETINGS AND MAIL NOMINATIONS
FOR THE CALIFORNIA CLING PEACH ADVISORY BOARD**

The Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) is soliciting nominations for grower appointments to the Cling Peach Advisory Board for positions that are either vacant or have a term of office expiring on March 31, 2016. The procedures offer growers two ways of submitting nominations:

1. Submit nominations at a district nomination meeting. (*See schedule on the reverse side of this notice.*)
2. Submit written nominations by mail or email.

The schedule of nomination meetings is printed on the reverse side of this notice. It provides the geographic boundaries for the various districts and/or zones and lists the board positions for which nominations are being sought. Additionally, enclosed is a complete current roster of the Cling Peach Board which also highlights the positions for which nominations are needed.

If you are unable to attend a nomination meeting, you may submit written nominations to the Cling Peach Board office until January 30, 2016. Written nominations may be submitted by mail to JD Allen, California Cling Peach Board, 531-D North Alta Avenue, Dinuba, CA 93618, or by e-mail to jdallen@tabcomp.com

To make nominations or to be nominated to represent a particular district and/or zone, a person must be a grower of cling peaches in that district and/or zone. Producing entities that qualify in more than one district and/or zone must choose the one district and/or zone in which they wish to make nominations. Producer entities owned by the same person count as separate entities as long as each operation has its own legal standing. If you wish to nominate a person to serve on the board, you should determine the candidate's eligibility and willingness to serve prior to submitting their nomination.

Following the nomination meetings and mail submission period, CDFA will evaluate the need for mail balloting. If there is only one nominee for any position, CDFA will not conduct balloting for that position. If balloting is necessary, CDFA will issue ballots to growers in the specific districts/zones where preference voting is needed. CDFA will subsequently make appointments for a three-year term of office for members and one-year term for alternate members. CDFA will also make appointments to fill any mid-term vacancies.

You are invited to participate in the nominations for your district and/or zone. If you have any questions regarding the Cling Peach Board's nomination process, call JD Allen, Board Manager, at (559) 595-1425, or Amy Uber of this office at (916) 900-5018.

Sincerely,

Robert Maxie, Chief
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